s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v316)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=814, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{11}{74}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S = 814 + 672.73 + 555.98 + 459.49 + 379.74 + 313.84 + 259.37 + 214.36 + 177.15 + 146.41$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 672.73 + 555.98 + 459.49 + 379.74 + 313.84 + 259.37 + 214.36 + 177.15 + 146.41 + 121$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 7 + 7(2) + 7(2)^{2} + 7(2)^{3} + \cdots + 7(2)^{69} + 7(2)^{70} + 7(2)^{71} + 7(2)^{72}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.